

JOSEPH F. HAAS. Popular Recorder of Deeds.

Charles E. Merriam, candidate for the Republican mayoralty nomination, urges the necessity of Chicago electing a mayor who can command the confidence of both the city and the state in order that the city's demand for home rule may receive just consideration in the state constitutional convention. Captain Merriam pointed to his record as a city legislator as a guaranty that he will be able to press Chicago's claims with expectation of a friendly hearing. He issued a statement setting forth in some detail his views on the subject of home rule.

"A necessary plank in a Chicago platform is home rule in local affairs," Capt. Merriam said. "Chicago's government was made away back in 1870, I to obtain there the power we need, and since then there have been so many changes in the world that the old patched up plan is no longer adequate. Chicago has outgrown the law which fifty years ago was good enough. What other business in town is run on an 1870 basis?

"We ought to have the power to make our own city charter as we want it; to adopt a non-partisan election system, if the people wish it; to say what the machinery of local government shall be, if we care to change it: to make whatever local rules and regulations we want, subject, of course, to the general laws of the state. It is ridiculous, or would be if it were not so serious, that Chicago, the fourth city in the world, should be obliged to run down to the state legislature for every little change in its machinery or to get any additional power necessary to keep up with the

"These Chicago requests not only take up the time of the legislature unnecessarily, but the lack of local authority to deal with local affairs interferes with the growth of the city, with the business development of the community and with the daily comfort of our people. It is high time that Chicago be given authority to meet the modern situation.

"Particularly ought Chicago to have full control over its public utilitiesgas, electric light, street and elevated railways and telephones-if not under federal regulation. In 1913 I was in the front ranks of those who were fighting for greater control over local utilities in Chicago, but the people were not fully aroused at that time and such power as Chicago had was weakened by the law then passed.

"I am sure that every man or woman who digs down for an extra penny on the 'L' or puzzles over the peculiar gas bills now knows what home rule means and how important it is to him or her personally. The fact is that Chicago understands these local questions better than the state outside, and we would be better satisfied with our own conclusions any-

"Since the passage of the Mueller ity and loyalty to his party.

MERRIAM'S PLATFORM law local control over utilities has been understood by all sides in Chibeen understood by all sides in Chicago to include legal and financial power to own and operate utilities if and when the public desires to adopt such a policy. The purpose of giving such authority is to place in the city's hands the power to take whatever course regarding public utilities the people may deem expedient. There has been no disagreement on this point for many years. Of course, constitutional changes are necessary to bring this about and should be se-

> "Home rule is now more important than ever because the state constitutional convention just approved by the people will soon meet. In that body the fate of Chicago for the next generation will be decided. If we fail then the door will be closed for probably another fifty years. To a very large extent the outcome will depend on the next mayor of Chicago. We can count. I am sure, on the generous co-operation of Gov. Lowden in an effort to help our city. If the mayor commands the confidence of the people of Chicago and of the entire state of Illinois, it will be possible to obtain what the city needs. If the mayor can present the city's case clearly and effectively, and if the state trusts him, Chicago will obtain the measure of local government to which we are entitled. Our citizens should realize the situation before the opportunity has knocked and gone away.

"The same thing is true of the legislation which Chicago requires from year to year. Chicago's ability to obtain favorable consideration for her mayor, who is properly regarded as the spokesman of the community. If he commands the respect and confidence of the state he will go far; but if not, the road is a rocky one. I know this from personal experience, for no man has fought harder for Chicago legislation at Springfield than I have during the last ten years. Many a hard journey have I made to Springfield with men like Ald. Richert, Littler, McCormick, Kearns, Kerner, Capitain, Fisher, Beilfuss, Sitts, Lipps, Nance and others, only to meet an invisible barrier which kept us back from necessary Chicago legislation.

"A home rule plank in a platform is of little value unless we know who is back of it. My guaranty is many years of practical experience in the city council and at Springfield working for the measures necessary to the growth and development of Chicago."

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the adjustments. "No matter how strange, unusual, or even opposed to established custom or belief an idea may be, if its claims prove to be n harmony with all the essential facts concerning the subject to which the idea is related, it is true and valuable and should be accepted." Investigate and interview F. H. Seubold, D. C., 1430 Stevens Bldg, Chicago, and be convinced.— Advertisement.

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John W. Eckhart, the well known lour merchant, who has been reelected to the board of directors of the Iroquois club was formerly president of that organization, and is one of its most staunch and active mem-

Mr. Eckhart was born in West Bend, Wisconsin, and since 1873 has been engaged in the flour business in Chicago. He is president of John W. Eckhart & Company and is a member of several clubs besides the Iroquois, including the Chicago Athletic Association, the Illinois Club and the Lake Beulah Country Club. He has a beautiful summer home at Lake Beulah, Wis. Mr. Eckhart is a very active and valued member of the Chicago Plan Commission. He served for years as a member of the school board and was vice president of that

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